

# THE EVENING CRITIC.

ESTABLISHED AUGUST 1868.

## NATIONAL RIFLES.

### Their Last Excursion to Marshall Hall.

The last excursion of the season of the National Rifle series occurred last night, and was, perhaps, the jolliest and most profitable of any yet given by that superior military corps. The party, on board the steamer *Coveaux*, excused to Marshall Hall, where dancing was indulged in until midnight. On the home trip a delightful concert was given on board, participated in by Miss Eva Mills, Miss H. W. Adams, Horndon Morsell, Ham, Adams, W. E. Morgan and D. B. MacLeod. They rendered various musical songs with fine effect, and won the heartiest applause. George Scott, Ned Hay, Sam Kinsley, Harry Rapley, and Col. Worrell kept things lively also by their keen wit and humor, and altogether the event was decidedly agreeable. Mr. George W. Evans, chairman of the executive committee of the Rifle Corps, was very polite and effective in his administration of affairs. The following are some of those who participated in the pleasures of the trip: Miss McChesney, Miss Maria Graft, Miss Mollie Smith, Mrs. Todd, Miss Susan Sherif, Miss Clara Kilmon, Miss Cora Bevan, Miss Annie Markriter, Miss Collins, Miss McGill, Miss Morgan, Miss Ida Cudlipp, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hodgkins, Mrs. Leckie, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker, Miss Marian Bollen, Mrs. Camp, Mrs. Jeck, Mr. Ed. Hay, Miss Blanche Hay, Miss Laura Crawford, Miss Ada Detweiler, Miss Lillie Ringwalt, William J. Baxter, U. S. N.; Miss Maggie Miller, Miss Minnie Sheekels, Miss Annie Collins, Miss Sallie Kersey, Miss Fannie Adams, Miss Maggie Flanagan, Miss Mollie Oyster, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Waggoner, Mr. and Mrs. Nutt, Mr. James N. Davis, Miss Calvert, Mr. J. H. Howell, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Patrick, Hon. John W. Hogg, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Whiting, Misses Whiting, Mrs. Frank Kirby, of Alexandria; Miss Nettie Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Adams, Miss Annie Williamson, Mrs. Robert Sutton, George M. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Kinsley, Miss Kinsley, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd, Col. Amos Webster, Miss Eva Mills, Horndon Morsell, Lucie Murphy, Miss Cora Bonney, Mrs. W. C. Keck, Miss Nellie Leach, New Jersey; Mrs. Allahaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bowers, Mrs. Simms, Miss Simms, Miss Rosa and Miss Korn, Col. James H. Parish, Miss Fannie and Kate Harkness, Miss Villa Custer, Warring E. Evans, Miss Belle Bacon, Miss Agnes Bacon, Miss Alice O'Leary, Miss Mattie Morgan, Miss Sue Gray, Miss Bessie Gray, Miss Anna Hogue, A. Clarke, Miss Will Ricketts, Miss Laura Kiesecker, G. W. Rouzer, Army and Navy Journal; Miss Katie Sewell, Miss Barbour, Jay Stone, Miss Emma Streyer, of Winona, Minn.; Dr. George B. Welch, Mr. Jennie Morgan, of West Virginia; Miss Emma Wheat, Miss Ida Hosman, W. H. Stokes, Miss Gertie Smith, Miss Ida Hicks, Miss Rotenbury, Miss Van De Venter, Miss Mitchell, Miss Katie Baker, H. B. Skippin, Frank E. Ferguson, Miss Katie Whyte, Mr. F. E. Turner, Mrs. May Daniels, May Daniels, Mrs. Chesney, William H. Stearns, Mrs. C. M. Barton and Mr. and Mrs. Hudson.

### THE WATER SUPPLY.

**A Practical Effort to Increase It.**  
The investigation of the quantity of water used and wasted by the public fountains was completed yesterday by persons chosen for the purpose by Col. Rockwell. The report shows that the fountains under his supervision are twenty-one in number, and are located as follows: Lincoln Park, 2; Stanton Park, 2; Delaware Avenue and First streets northeast; 1; New Jersey Avenue and M Street northwest; 1; Judiciary Park; 1; Armory Park; 1; New York Avenue and Tenth street; 1; Mount Vernon Park; 1; Pennsylvania Avenue and Ninth street; 1; Executive Mansion grounds; 2; Rawlins Park; 2; Pennsylvania Avenue and Nineteenth street; 1; Pennsylvania Avenue and Twenty-first street; 1; Franklin Park; 1; Iowa Circle; 1; nursery grounds, 1. All these fountains have been ordered to be stopped during the present scarcity of water, except for two, as it is necessary to continue the flow for about that period to keep the fountains in good order. The fountains of the White House grounds will be the only exception to this rule. This action will undoubtedly increase the water supply and prove of great benefit, particularly if it is followed by similar order from officials having charge of the fountains at the Botanical Gardens, Capitol Hill, the Treasury Department, etc.

**Dr. Rhodes' Transfusing Battery.**  
advertised in another column, is an article of merit and it is worth its weight in gold. It will positively do what is claimed for it. Money cheerfully refunded to all using it a reasonable length of time if they are not satisfied. Mr. R. K. Holfenstine, the well-known druggist, Fourteenth and F streets—Ebbitt House—is the agent.

### The Proposed Carnival.

Date yesterday afternoon an informal consultation was held between a number of the supporters of the proposed carnival in the office of the District Commissioners. Among those present were Commissioners Morgan and Dent, Postmaster D. B. Anger, Register of the Treasury B. K. Anger, Chief Clerk A. F. Childs, of the Government Printing Office, and Messrs. W. H. Morrison, Horatio Browning, George W. Cochran, E. G. Davis, and M. M. Parker. Several appointments of chairmen and sub-committees were agreed upon, but in consideration of the President's health it was thought best to make nothing public until Saturday.

### Tailoring Department.

Entire fall stock now ready. Elsenman Bros.

### Annals in Rockville.

The special correspondent of the *Baltimore Gazette* from Rockville, Md., says in his morning's issue, speaking of the primary election held in Montgomery County on last Saturday: "Owing to local opinion there has been little drunkenness. In fact, the holding of that plan was never more conclusively successful; but, owing to our earnestness to Washington, we cannot avoid a drunkenness."

### Prepare for School.

The old and popular shoe emporium of A. Hazelton, 423 Seventh street, is the place to get shoes of all descriptions at low prices.

### Shared.

LUCY LAMCOMB, IN GOOD COMPANY, NO. 1.

"I said it in the meadow path—  
I said it on the mountain side—  
I said it in the wild rose red—  
I said it where every mortal breathes—  
Are you weary of the sky—the breeze—  
The light without us and within—  
The light, its unlooked treasures—  
God's riches are for all to win."

"We breathe—the sky—the breeze—  
The light without us and within—  
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## THE ASPHALT CONTRACTS.

### The Reply of Bailey & Fletcher to the Letter of the Commissioners.

Messrs. Bailey & Fletcher, contractors, through their attorney, Mr. W. C. Mumlock, yesterday filed an answer to the letter of F. V. Greene, assistant engineer of the District, in which he requested them to notify the Commissioners verbally, or in writing, on or before the 31st inst., what steps they proposed to take to carry out their contracts. The reply is as follows: "On the 21st day of April, 1881, the Engineer Commissioner advertised certain streets to be paved, and on the 13th day of April, 1881, certain streets to resurface with asphaltum. After a protracted correspondence with C. Hart Smith, president of the Baltimore Chemical and Tar Company, and through him with Messrs. Campbell Hannay & Co., of Port of Spain, Trinidad, a very reputable firm, engaged in the business of exporting asphaltum from the island of Trinidad to other countries, and with several other parties in this country, engaged in the business of importing asphaltum, we felt assured that we could get sufficient asphaltum to do the work proposed, and made our bids at fair and reasonable rates, affording a profit, which we were entirely satisfied. We were the lowest bidders for the work by about \$20,000, and expected to have the contract awarded to us. The Engineer Commissioner delayed the award for twenty-three days and then offered a portion of the work to us. The result of the delay in the award was that the opposing bidders were enabled to go on and purchase all the asphaltum in the market, and obtain from a very able chemist an opinion that such asphaltum as we could procure was unfit for use. This opinion was submitted to the Engineer Commissioner and resulted in his condemnation of the asphaltum in question, and closed our supply from the one place where it was certainly obtainable. It is believed by persons in our business that the Messrs. A. L. Barber & Co., have perfected arrangements with parties in the island of Trinidad by which they control all the asphaltum coming to the United States from that island, except such as was to be found outside the lake proper. We have every reason to believe that if we secured all the contracts which called for the use of asphaltum, we could break up this combination and procure a supply from the lake itself. In point of fact Mr. Campbell Hannay had already arranged with one of the owners at 'La Brava' to furnish his house with all he ordered. In addition Mr. Meyers opened a new deposit close to the lake, and had sent forward a cargo to New York and was himself on his way back to the island of Trinidad, after perfecting arrangements in New York city to superintend the shipment of asphaltum to this country, and to our order. The opinion of the Engineer Commissioner, condemning his cargo and prohibiting any further use of such asphaltum, prevented any further shipment from that deposit; and the final award to us of only a portion of the work, and that award coupled with extraordinary provisions placed in the contract, made it impossible for us to carry out our contract. The result was we were powerless to break the combination against us or to purchase asphaltum in any direction. Under such circumstances we were compelled to buy the cargo brought to this country by Mr. Meyers and proceed to refine it at our risk. The result was the opinion of the New York chemist to be utterly false and worthless. The asphaltum proved to be of better quality even than that in use, and we were permitted to use it, with entire satisfaction to the Engineer Department, in the execution of our contracts. This refusal to submit we are not responsible for, but at the mercy of A. L. Barber & Co., unless the Commissioners will aid us by extending the time to the end of the fiscal year. This extension of time would enable us to do a portion of the work this season, and during the winter months to procure asphaltum either from the island of Cuba or through Mr. Meyers and others from Trinidad, or from the Commissioners themselves, who have issued an order to the Engineer Commissioner for fifteen hundred tons of asphaltum, which he proposes to do this winter, as we are informed. We therefore respectfully ask that the time for the execution of our several contracts be extended to June 30, 1882, because we believe, under all the circumstances, we are entitled to such an extension; because we believe it to be for the best interests of the District that the scheme of A. L. Barber & Co. should be broken up, and the work of paving the streets of Washington and suburbs with asphaltum be open to competition; because we do not believe that we deserve punishment at the hands of the Commissioners for trying to save to the people of the District the sum of \$20,000, because in no way does the District, by our action, lose any money. Had our bids been set aside, the Commissioners would have been compelled to pay the advanced price put upon the work by Messrs. Barber & Crawford. As it is, we have completed Rhode Island Avenue and N Street at our price, and have laid 2,000 square yards on Pennsylvania Avenue in addition. Because our price for the work is fair and honest, yielding a profit of at least 20 per cent, and the price of A. L. Barber & Crawford an exorbitant price, yielding a profit of at least 40 per cent, because the prices agreed upon between Barber & Crawford show, upon the face, an agreed division of the work at an advanced price upon the former price, which could only be obtained by a combination excluding all other bidders; and because we honestly believe that it is the duty of the Commissioners to protect the lowest bidder from the schemes of unscrupulous opposition and conspiracies, to prevent the execution of contracts taken in good faith by such bidder, and which, of course, inure to the benefit of the District itself."

### Parents and Guardians, Consider

your interest and the children's comfort in buying outfits for school purposes for the boys. A. Straus, proprietor of the Avenue Clothing House, 938 Pennsylvania Avenue, has a large stock of boys' suits to choose from. Go and see for yourselves. No trouble about finding the place. The show at the doors and the display in the windows make this one of the most attractive places on the Avenue.

### A Receiver for the Potomac, Frederickburg & Piedmont Railroad.

Judge Butler, of the United States Circuit Court, in Philadelphia yesterday, set before an array of counsel in the case of Samuel D. Karns and George C. Howe against the Potomac, Frederickburg & Piedmont Railroad Company and others. Karns and Howe claimed to be creditors of the road to the extent of about \$135,000, which they had expended in the furtherance of a \$1,000,000 contract to complete the building of the road from Frederickburg to Orange Court-House. Having heard that a sale of the road was to be made to the Atlantic & Ohio Railroad by L. Harvey Richards, acting president and reputed owner, the plaintiffs filed a bill in equity in court, asking a special injunction to restrain the payment of the proceeds of the sale to Richards until the ownership of the road and the rights of the plaintiffs could be determined; also for the appointment of a receiver to whom the proceeds should be paid. Judge Butler granted these prayers, and said the sale was not to be interfered with, but to go on. The Guarantee Trust & Safe Deposit Company, of Philadelphia, was appointed receiver, security to be entered in \$20,000.

## Notable Sayings of Notable Men.

"I'm still with you."—Jake Budd.  
"I'm a jewel of a fellow."—Alec Hunter.  
"I have seen it before."—Lamb, the artist.  
"As a fisherman I am not a success."—C. W. Lennan.  
"Will you have a drink, Billy?"—George Lamborn.  
"No, sir! a grass widow is not necessarily green."—J. Karr.  
"I always mints matters, when I mix smashes."—Jim Godden.  
"That we're out of asphalt is not our fault."—Bailey & Fletcher.  
"It is easier to die than to live."—The messenger from Alexandria.  
"I'd sooner lose every tooth in my (hic) eye than lose my sight."—Al. Rupp.  
"Twenty days at Long Branch and still a gay young bachelor."—Fletcher Hodges.  
"I'm not Harry, but I can catch a horse on the fly, and don't you forget it."—Frank Graft.  
"After man came woman and she's been after him ever since."—Judge Charles Pelham.  
"The system of transfers on the Avenue line is an annoyance and a humbug."—H. S. Johnston.  
"Why is it that the man in the street car who knows the least does the most talking."—The general observer.  
"Give me the count's yacht and I'll bet I can beat any man at Lower Cedar Point eating crab salad."—Tony Rodler.  
"If business does not resume pretty soon I will hire myself out to drive bullfrogs away from 'Chip bank.'"—Bernard McDonnell.  
"Hoopskirts are to be revived and there will be a battle in the female world—but all the hoopskirts I want is my tricycle."—Belva Lockwood.  
"Washington is one of the cleanest cities in the United States, and the reason is that the streets are swept daily by a broom run by horse-power. The sweeping begins every evening shortly after sunset, and such is the admirable system that before ordinary bed time the work is done and the streets are left as clean as a barn floor."—Editor of the N. O. States.

### Worthy Special Attention.

Androsoggin cotton, 9c.; Lonsdale cotton, 10c.; Fruit of the Loom, 10c.; 1c. 50 Blue Silk, \$1.00; Navy Blue Twilled Flannel, 3c.; Regular-made Hose, 19c.; Opera Kid Gloves, 25c. (other goods equally cheap), at Broadhead & Co's, 1205 F street northwest.

### Lawn Tennis.

The first meeting of a very promising new Lawn Tennis Club was held last night at the residence of Mr. C. McClelland, in Le Droit Park, and the following officers were elected: President, Robert M. Barr; secretary, C. McClelland; and treasurer, R. Baldwin. An executive committee of three was also elected. The club have selected beautiful grounds in Le Droit Park, and promise to be one of the most interesting pleasure clubs in the District.

### National Hotel Arrivals.

D. W. McClair, Phila.; H. Wessel, N. Y.; Hon. Philip Cook, Ga.; D. E. Burley, Balto.; C. A. Davis, S. C.; F. J. R. Zeller, Pa.; G. W. Schwartz, Balto.; J. B. Dougherty, Wilmington, Del.; H. C. Emman, Balto.; Col. J. W. Fairfax, Va.; D. B. Martin, Phila.; H. Conklin, N. Y.; C. W. Cowley, Ky.; E. Coffman, N. Y.; Dr. R. H. Stuart, Va.; W. Berry and wife, Md.; Dr. L. S. Bilgoff, Md.; Hon. R. Ford, Md.; A. Chisolm, Savannah, W. N. Chancellor, Parkersburg, G. T. Pillman, Ky.; Miss Pillman, Ky.; Miss Carly, Va.; Mrs. Crawford, Va.; W. L. David, N. Y.; W. Boyd, Balto.; B. H. Barnett and wife, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. M. L. Eayle, Jacksonville, Fla.; S. C. Denney, Rochester, N. Y.; R. A. Semple, Phila.

### "Alderney Dairy Wagons."

Fresh Alderney butter, churned every morning, and delivered in the "Ward" prints, at 35c. per lb., also, cottage cheese, 5c. per lb.; buttermilk, 5c. per quart, and sweet milk, 5c. per quart.

### He Didn't Know.

There was a musician Wilhelm Who tried an old fiddle to sell; When I asked him the way To make the fiddle sing, The fellow would really not tell.

### True Love.

There was a young lady from Sioux, A chap loved her, but what could he do; To her father he went And asked his consent, To be her fond lover and true.

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## AUCTION SALES.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF BRICK DWELLING NO. 407 FRANKLIN STREET, IN SQUARE NO. 510.

By virtue of a deed of trust dated October 1, 1879, and recorded in the 25th, folio 22, one of the land records for Washington county, and at the written request of the party secured thereby, I will sell, at public auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 31st day of AUGUST, A. D. 1881, at 2 o'clock p. m., all of lot marked or lettered "A," in Hollies subdivision in square numbered five hundred and ten (510), with the improvements thereon.

Terms: Indebtedness and expenses of sale in cash, balance in twenty-four months, with interest, deferred payment to be secured upon the property sold. Fifty dollars to be paid when the property is struck off.

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